

NEBRASKA DDD/MLTC WAIVER WORKGROUP: WAITLIST AND PRIORITIZATION
MARCH 4, 2016

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Next Meeting: 03/18/2016, NSOB LLF

Agenda:

Additions to the Agenda?

Introductions

Scope/Intent of this Work Group

State Statute (83-1201, 83-1202)

Nebraska Administrative Code 404

Waiver Appendix B

Sample Target Groups Examples

Next Steps

Topic	Person Responsible	Discussion	Action Item
Additions to the Agenda	Work Group	See Parking Lot Items	Continue to Capture Parking Lot Items for the 2017 Redesign
Scope/Intent of this Work Group	Teresa	Overview of task at hand- building from the waiver as it is currently- Current Practices. The key is stabilization- what have we been doing that is not in our waiver so it is not federally authorized. What could be approved we just have not asked. We will also be having similar discussions regarding the children's waiver. Registry and Priority and how it fits into the wavier. Waiver Application Waiver B will be the focus of this work group	None at this time
State Statute (83-1201, 83-1202)	Teresa	Overview/Review of Current State Statute governing NDHHS-DD.	None at this time

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		Important discussion is to remember that the priority populations are outlined in statute and that NDHHS-DD is the payer source of last resort...therefore if there is another way to meet the individual's needs those options would all need to be exhausted first.	
Nebraska Administrative Code 404	Teresa	The work group requested clarification regarding DDAID	Teresa/Cathy to bring to the next meeting
Waiver Appendix B	Teresa	The workgroup is charged with reviewing Appendix B, identifying the current practice and proposing language to bring the practice language into the waiver application,	Pam Hovis to supply the full application for Waiver Appendix B to the group for the next work group meeting.
Sample Target Groups Examples	Teresa	Explained how the state ward pilot project worked and how those individuals were prioritized. The pilot project served state wards who are eligible for Developmental Disabilities services, who did not qualify for priority status and are in need of habilitative services to achieve permanency. These kids were put on the Children's Wavier in error. They have been pulled out of waiver and are served with all state funds. The division is working with the Federal government to pay back the federal match funds for those kids. Next steps, 30-35 kids were authorized funding from the \$1.5million allocated. This group is currently state funded. This group of children could be looked as a group that could be identified in our reserved capacity portion of the application.	<p>None at this time.</p> <p>The group should look at the pilot example and refer to the handouts from other states. Please think about the other categories states have and if they would fit into the reserved capacity for our Nebraska waivers. This will be a talk point as we move forward.</p>

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Example of reserve capacity:

Children's waiver to the adult waiver.

- A&D waivers for kids- this may cause issues when they go to the adult DD waiver. Systemically there is an issue. What does each waiver do for you?
 - The Division is putting a side by side guide together for families. This is going into the redesign. The key to this goes back to partnering with schools.
 - How do families get this info...especially when looking across the state? The planning council is focusing on this area.

ICF

- Another group where we reserve capacity is for individuals coming out of ICFs. This is currently happening.
- We need to safe guard that folks don't go into IFCs to then come out just to get the waiver and bypass the waitlist.
- Individuals with older adult children.
 - There are many parents and caregivers in Nebraska who are elderly.
 - How are we going to address this?
 - How can we better manage so that this does not need to be an emergency?
- Does this work group address Money Follows the Person?
 - That is what is currently being done with individuals coming out of IFCs.
- Waiver application: Quick Review of the Waiver application itself:
 - Unduplicated #s- We are focused on the waiver now..... Year 1 See the number this would cover 5 years. The numbers will come later in the work group.
- - B: limitations regarding # of individuals.
 - B-3: need to click "yes" it get the application to open up the additional question
 - Phase in Phase out- most states do not do this.
 - Waiver slots in DD are capped? Is this why there is no cap in A&D- bring the language from A&D language.

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Considerations for 2017:

Parking Lot Issues:

- Questions about numbers and budgets-
 - Questions regarding numbers and registry info- Have been given to Courtney-
- How will we ensure collaboration across divisions? This was in regard to DDD and Protection and Safety System.
- How we will ensure that these gains, regulations, operational guideline continues despite management changes?
- How/what training is happening for the CPS staff. Will the work group get training for Respite providers on this? CPS training needs to happen for crisis respite.
- ICF Transitions
- Children in Crisis and family supports within DHHS
- LTSS Education Gaps
- Demonstration Waivers
- Working with Corrections
- SC resource knowledge
- Respite training
- Crisis training
- A&D waiver vs. DD waiver
- Children's transitions
- Relationship with the department of Ed.